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RECYCLED POLYESTER RESIN COMPOSITION AND

MOLDED ARTICLE THEREFROM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, and prior to the calculation of claim fees, please amend the above-identified patent application, which is filed herewith, as follows.

AMEMDMENTS

In the specification:

Page 1, after the title, insert the following:

This application claims priority of Japanese patent application No. 2001-42347, filed in Japan on February 19, 2001.

In the Claims:

Cancel without prejudice claims 7-10. Please amend claim 6 to read as follows:

6. (amended) A recycled-polyester resin composition according to any one of claims 1 through 4, wherein the epoxidized diene-based block copolymer (C) is obtained through epoxidation of a block copolymer or a partially hydrogenated product thereof, the block copolymer including a block of a vinyl aromatic compound and a block of a conjugated diene compound.

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Add new claims 11-35 as follows:

- 11. (new) A recycled-polyester resin composition according claim 5, wherein the epoxidized diene-based block copolymer (C) is obtained through epoxidation of a block copolymer or a partially hydrogenated product thereof, the block copolymer including a block of a vinyl aromatic compound and a block of a conjugated diene compound.
- 12. (new) A recycled-polyester resin composition according to claim 2 or claim 4, wherein the polyolefin resin (D) is a polypropylene resin.
- 13. (new) A recycled-polyester resin composition according to claim 2 or claim 4, wherein the recycled polyester resin (A) is a recycled polyethylene terephthalate resin and wherein the polyolefin resin (D) is a polypropylene resin.
- 14. (new) A recycled-polyester resin composition according to claim 2 or claim 4, wherein the epoxidized diene-based block copolymer (C) is obtained through epoxidation of a block copolymer or a partially hydrogenated product thereof, the block copolymer including a block of a vinyl aromatic compound and a block of a conjugated diene compound, and wherein the polyolefin resin (D) is a polypropylene resin.
- 15. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to any one of claims 1-4.
- 16. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 5.
- 17. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 6.
- 18. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 11.
- 19. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 12.
- 20. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 13.
- 21. (new) An article molded from a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 14.
- 22. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to any one of claims 1-4.

- 23. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 5.
- 24. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 6.
- 25. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 11.
- 26. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 12.
- 27. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 13.
- 28. (new) An article molded from a virgin polyester resin and a recycled polyester resin composition according to claim 14.
- 29. (new) An article molded according to claim 22, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 30. (new) An article molded according to claim 23, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 31. (new) An article molded according to claim 24, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 32. (new) An article molded according to claim 25, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 33. (new) An article molded according to claim 26, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 34. (new) An article molded according to claim 27, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.
- 35. (new) An article molded according to claim 28, wherein the ratio by weight of the virgin polyester resin to the recycled-polyester resin composition falls within the range of 90:10 to 0:100.

REMARKS

The international application contains multiple dependent claims improperly dependent from multiple dependent claims. Applicants have amended claim 6 and cancelled other improperly dependent claims, and have submitted new claims presenting the same cancelled subject matter in properly dependent form. The new claims submitted herewith do not introduce new matter, and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 1-6 and 11-35 will be pending. A marked-up copy of claim 6, showing the changes made, is presented in the appendix attached hereto.

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APPENDIX

Amended claim 6, showing changes made (in bold):

6. (amended) A recycled-polyester resin composition according to any one of claims 1 through [5] 4, wherein the epoxidized diene-based block copolymer (C) is obtained through epoxidation of a block copolymer or a partially hydrogenated product thereof, the block copolymer including a block of a vinyl aromatic compound and a block of a conjugated diene compound.